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An Act To Use All Available Technologies To Provide Efficiencies in State Facilities

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:

Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §1770-A is enacted to read:

§ 1770-A. Use of energy-saving devices

1. Mandated use. All electronic devices and appliances with energy-saving features that are installed or available in facilities owned by the State must be used unless otherwise required by law or for health or safety reasons.

For the purposes of this subsection, "facilities owned by the State" includes but is not limited to facilities owned by any branch, department, agency or authority of State Government, the University of Maine System or the Maine Community College System.

2. Rules. The Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services shall adopt rules to implement and enforce this section. Rules adopted pursuant to this subsection are routine technical rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A.

SUMMARY

This bill mandates the use of all energy-saving features that are currently installed or available in facilities owned by the State. It does not require the installation of energy-saving devices. The Department of Administrative and Financial Services, Bureau of General Services shall adopt routine technical rules to implement and enforce the mandated use of energy-saving features.